MINUTES OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

Tuesday, February 7, 2006 9:00 a.m. Room 307 House Office Building, Lansing

Representative LaJoy, Chair, called the meeting to order.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Representatives LaJoy, David Law, Gosselin, Meyer, Casperson, Nitz, Wenke, Moore, Pavlov, Pearce, Anderson, Byrnes, Murphy, Kathleen Law, Hood III, Gleason, Leland. (17/17)

Representative Meyer made a motion to adopt the minutes of the meeting of January 24, 2006, supported by Representative Byrnes. No objections being offered, a unanimous ballot was cast to accept the minutes as presented.

The Chair laid SB 932 before the Committee.

SB 932 Allen Transportation; school vehicles; pupil transportation act; modify.

Jeremy Hendges spoke to the Committee regarding SB 932 on behalf of Senator Allen.

Cards were submitted by:

Bob Morris and Louis Burgess, representing the Michigan Department of Education, in support

Howard Dashney, representing the Pupil Transportation Advisory Committee, in support

Representative Gosselin made a motion to adopt SB 932 (H-1), supported by Representative Nitz.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives LaJoy, Gosselin, Meyer, Nitz, Wenke, Moore, Pavlov, Anderson,

Byrnes, Leland. (10/17)
Nays: None. (0/17)

Pass: None. (0/17) (10/0/0)

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the motion prevailed.

Representative Pavlov made a motion to report SB 932 (H-1), supported by Representative Gosselin.

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FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives LaJoy, Gosselin, Meyer, Casperson, Nitz, Wenke, Moore, Pavlov, Anderson, Byrnes, Kathleen Law, Leland. (12/0/0)

Nays: None. (0/17)

Pass: None. (0/17) (12/0/0)

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the motion prevailed.

Chair LaJoy laid the following bills before the Committee and indicated that no votes would take place on these bills at this meeting.

SB 567 George Advertising; billboards; issuance of billboard permits; create

moratorium.

SB 568 Gilbert Highways; signs; permits for billboards; revise procedures.

SB 911 Gilbert Highways; signs; conforming provisions; provide for.

Senator Gilbert spoke to the Committee on behalf of Senator George and himself regarding SB 567, SB 568 and SB 911.

Jill Costello, representing Senator George, was present to answer questions.

The following individuals also spoke to the Committee regarding the bills:

Bill Jackson, representing Adams Outdoor Advertising Association of Michigan, in support

Peter Steketee, representing Scenic Michigan, no position stated at this time

Brad Williams and Mark Dionise, representing the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT), in opposition

James Clift, representing the Michigan Environmental Council, in opposition Mary Lou Tanton, representing the Outdoor Lighting Forum, neutral on the bills Kim Rhead, representing the Outdoor Advertising Association of Michigan, in support

Donna Stine, representing the Michigan United Conservation Clubs, submitted a card indicating opposition to the bills.

Paul Cook, representing Wolverine Sign Works and the Outdoor Advertising Association of Michigan, was available to answer questions and submitted a card indicating support for the bills.

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There being no additional business before the Committee, Chair LaJoy declared the meeting adjourned, the time being 10:33 a.m.

Representative Philip LaJoy, Chair

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